



Fire Threatens Down Town District

GRAYLING RESTAURANT AND GAMBLE STORE SUFFER DAMAGE

Fire broke out in the rear part of the second floor of the Barnett building Monday afternoon about 3:15 o'clock. For a time it looked as tho that part of the business section of Grayling might be wiped out. The conflagration was confined largely to the living quarters of Joseph Cinciala in the rear apartment of the second floor.

Mrs. Cinciala reported that she had heard crackling that sounded like electric wires. Whether the fire started from defective wiring or not has not been determined.

The roof of the rear end of the building was consumed, as was also a small portion of the roof of the Bates building, occupied by the Gamble store.

The fire spread so rapidly that Mrs. Cinciala and baby were forced to escape thru an upper floor window to the roof of the Kraus store. Other occupants of the upper floor were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roth, both of whom were in Bay City at the time of the fire. The damage to the Roth furnishings was slight, being mostly from smoke and water.

However the Cinciala family saved nothing except the clothes they were wearing. Little Joan Cinciala was the first one to discover the fire, when she opened a door into the hallway and saw the flames and smoke. Some boys called into the kitchen of the restaurant that the upstairs was afire, and Mr. Cinciala frantically made several attempts to get up through the stairway fearing for the safety of his wife and two children, and had his hair singed in so doing. Finally he went to the rear of the building and Mrs. Cinciala tossed the tiny baby to him then little Joan was handed down to her daddy.

The greatest damage suffered was by the Grayling restaurant. Here everything was smoked and water damaged. The stock was hurriedly moved out, which is always damaging, resulting in

breakage, mars and the delay of business. Water was pouring down from the upper floor in torrents into the kitchen and other rear compartments.

Earl Burns, proprietor of the Gamble store kept his store locked until the danger of the building being burned became too threatening. At that stage much of the stock was moved out and stored in the family garage. Other portions were drenched by water and smoked. He however moved back in and was ready for business Tuesday afternoon.

Blanche Hull occupied the front rooms of the second floor of the Bates building. Water and smoke forced abandonment.

It is estimated that the damage done by the fire will run well over \$3,000. All were covered by insurance with exception of Mrs. Hull's.

The fire department again proved their efficiency. With little fanfare the men proceeded with the job of extinguishing the flames. With smoke pouring out thru all parts of the two buildings, the hope of saving them seemed futile. That the damage to the buildings was all confined to the rear ends and principally to the roofs is due to Grayling fire department. Lookers-on predicted the wiping out of that entire block of buildings. Those in the line of danger were the Kraus building on the corner and Legion restaurant. On the opposite side, adjoining the Bates building is the Kraus building in which is the Grayling 5c to \$1.00 store.

Besides the City Fire department, many citizens lent a hand and worked heroically in removing contents from the burning buildings, and State Highway trucks under the supervision of Supt. A. J. Nelson hauled the goods away to shelter.

Mr. Cinciala reports that the Grayling Restaurant building is being temporarily put back in shape, and that they hope to reopen for business as soon as possible.

CCC Enrollment

Any boy between the ages of 17 and 23 inclusive, who is interested in enrolling into the CCC, please call at the Relief Office before the first of January.

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Grayling Still Gay

As we go to press we are only aware by the calendar that Christmas 1940 is over, for the gay festive spirit still abounds in our little city.

Family parties, and gatherings of friends were too numerous yesterday to mention them all, but we venture that the happiness was very nearly 100 percent around Grayling.

Nearly every street was illuminated with lights from the gaily trimmed Christmas trees. Many clever and unusual yuletide decorations added to the festiveness of the holiday season.

Special services were held in

the Danish Lutheran, Michelson Memorial Church of Christ, Calvary, Free Methodist, and St. Mary's churches.

Parties filled the social calendar. Organizations, lodges and Sunday Schools contributed toys and food for needy families.

Students home from various schools, relatives and friends are still greeting each other on the streets and in the homes.

Yes, we are in tune with the spirit of every other city, village and hamlet throughout the U. S. A. Happy that we are still at peace and filled with the spirit of "Good Will Toward Men."

Skingley-Rokos Wedding Saturday

At a pretty ceremony Saturday afternoon Miss Marian Eileen Skingley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Skingley and Mr. Ernest Rokos, son of Mrs. William Rokos of Traverse City, were united in marriage. Rev. Fr. James Moloney performed the ceremony at St. Mary's Rectory at three o'clock. The bride was lovely in a street length dress of goldenrod sheer wool crepe with a matching turban, and corsage of carnations and forget-me-nots. Miss Evelyn Skingley, sister of the bride, was her attendant, and wore a street length dress of ice blue sheer wool crepe, with matching turban and corsage similar to the bride's. Joseph Peck of Traverse City acted as best man for Mr. Rokos. About 25 relatives of the couple were present at the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. George Skingley gave a reception for relatives and friends at their home on the AuSable river that evening. Among the many wedding gifts presented the young couple was a lovely wedding cake from Mrs. Warren Vallad of Kalkaska.

Mrs. Rokos is a graduate of the Grayling schools with the class of 1939, and attended the Louis-Chapin Business school in Traverse City, where the young couple met, the groom also having been a student there.

The many friends of the bride extend congratulations and best wishes for a happy marriage. They are at home at 313 Elmwood Ave., Traverse City.

"A CHILD IS BORN" SUNG IN CANTATA

The Cantata "A Child is Born" by Noel Benson, was beautifully sung by the choir of Michelson Memorial church, assisted by some of the best musical talent of the city together with violins played by Mrs. Emil Niederer, Miss Betty Parsons and Miss Billyann Clippert.

The cantata was given under the direction of Mrs. C. G. Clippert with Mrs. T. P. Peterson accompanying at the organ. This impressive service of song telling the story of the Nativity, solos, duets, and chorus by the entire choir, was one of the most beautiful of the many candlelight services given at this season of the year.

The processional and recessional of the junior choir as they sang "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," and "Silent Night" were led by the little Misses Shirley Souders and Betsy Niederer.

For several years Michelson Memorial church has sponsored a musical of this type on the Sunday preceding Christmas and many Grayling folk look forward with great pleasure to its rendition.

Former County Resident Dies

Funeral services for Mrs. Hans Christenson of Flint, were held from Michelson Memorial church Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. H. W. Kuhlman officiating. Mrs. Christenson passed away at Hurley Hospital Sunday, Dec. 22nd following a three day illness of pneumonia. She was 77 years old.

On the evening previous to bringing the remains to Grayling a short prayer service was held at the Algore, Gundry Funeral Home in Flint. Interment was in Elmwood cemetery beside the deceased's husband, who passed away in April, 1938. Grandsons were the pallbearers.

Caroline M. West was born in Falster, Denmark, Jan. 27, 1863, and at the age of 19 years she came to the United States and directly to Grayling. On July 25 1885 she was united in marriage to Hans Christenson, and after a four year residence here they moved to Beaver Creek, where they operated a very fine farm for many years. Seven sons were born to the Christensons all in Beaver Creek, and of them five survive. 17 years ago Mr. and Mrs. Christenson went to Flint to reside as their sons had all established homes there.

Mrs. Christenson was a very devoted mother, and good neighbor and friend. Her family are fine citizens and a credit to their parents. Mrs. Christenson was a member of Michelson Memorial church, a member for 36 years of the Gleaner organization, and a Gold Star mother, one of her sons having given his life in the service of his country during the World War.

Those who survive and have the sympathy of many Grayling and Beaver Creek friends in their sorrow are Axel W., Christen B., Carl R., Henry P., and Frederick T., and there are 14 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Senior Class To Entertain Alumni

The Senior Class of 1941 will be hosts to the Alumni of Grayling High School Saturday evening, Dec. 28th at the High School gymnasium from 9 until 11 p. m. The Bandoliers will furnish music for dancing. The price is 35c per persons and 50c per couple.

Sometime during the evening judges will choose Miss America for 1941.

All Alumni and their escorts and friends are cordially invited.

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American business has no more inspiring personality than Roger W. Babson, internationally-known business commentator and investment adviser. An outstanding feature of his philosophy has been his life-long insistence on the importance of religion in business.

Born in 1875, reared in an old-fashioned atmosphere of hard work and hustle on a farm in Gloucester, Mr. Babson went to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Upon graduating in 1898, he turned instinctively to financial and business activities.

His exertions, however, undermined his health; he contracted tuberculosis and he was sent West "as good as dead." It was while he was convalescing from this dread malady that he worked out some of the possibilities and problems of business statistics.

That was nearly thirty-five years ago. Today his weekly statistical and financial reports are read by thousands of business men and his research work is carried on by a large staff of workers.

Mr. Babson founded Babson Institute for men; and, in cooperation with Mrs. Babson, developed Webber College for women, both nationally-known educational institutions. Here young men and women may concentrate more in the fundamentals and less on the frills of business.

To millions of newspaper readers, Mr. Babson is best known by his familiar weekly stories on business which appear in more than 450 newspapers throughout North America. Of unbounded energy, Roger W. Babson has probably done more than any

Kiwanis Club Notes

The Kiwanians were hosts to their wives at the Tuesday noon luncheon at Shoppenagons Inn.

A musical program, under the direction of Mrs. C. G. Clippert was presented, which was very much enjoyed by everyone.

Charles Moore presented Lieutenant Governor Emil Giegling a set of book ends with the Kiwanis emblem on them for his outstanding service as lieutenant governor of the 8th district.

The benefit party Monday evening at Hunter's Dairy was then discussed and it was found that a neat sum of \$50 was taken in for the needy children fund. With that amount and that taken in by Chas. Melichar and Holger Peterson the fund is now \$80.

Many Little Girls Made Happy

The Kiwanis Woman's Auxiliary passed out twenty-three as lovely dresses for young girls as anyone could imagine for Christmas.

Mrs. Charles Moore was chairman of the sewing and she was assisted by a group of the auxiliary ladies.

Mrs. Maurice Gorman, school nurse, assisted in passing out the dresses and other needy articles.

This is an annual objective of the auxiliary and many little girls are made happy at Christmas time.

Other men to bring statistics to life, to instill a broader vision in businessmen, and to publicize the ups-and-downs of the business cycle.

Persia Rugs in U. S. Rug exports from Iran (the official name of Persia) to the United States average \$3,000,000 a year.

Sunday School Gives Program

Monday evening the Michelson Memorial Sunday school children gave a Christmas program for their parents and friends at the church.

The program opened with Ronnie Larson welcoming the crowd, and a prayer by all. The primary department sang "All Year Through." Recitations were given by the following: Sally Gross, Peggy Lou Schmidt, Doris Horning, Richard Atkinson, Marlene Sorenson, Robert Lutz, Phyllis Ziebell, David Hanson, Louise Lutz, Robert Horning, Dorothy Decker, Iris Annis, Terry Hilton, Joan Bond, Ruth Decker, Maxine Merrill, Sue Giegling, Warder Smith, Phyllis Mills, and Tommy Hilton.

Songs were sung by the third grade and first grade with Shirley Souders singing the solo part. The eighth grade girls presented the Christmas Story, Luke 2-8-20, after which the sixth and seventh grade boys sang Christmas carols.

The closing number on the program was the Old Fashioned Singing School given by the ninth grade, after which Santa made his visit and distributed presents and candy.

Hoffman-Peterson Troth Told

An engagement of interest to their friends is that of Jerrine Avis, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph C. Peterson, and Mr. William H. Hoffman of Alpena, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hoffman of this city.

No wedding date has been set.

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Americans Are Lucky

Suppose the mythical man from Mars came up to you some day and asked you if you were an American. You'd say "Yes," of course. Then suppose he asked you another question:

"What is an American?"

Perhaps your answer would be something like this—or maybe you can improve on it:

"I'm an American," you'd say. "When I hear an airplane, I don't look around for the nearest bombproof shelter. I know that it's carrying people and goods for the purposes of peacetime progress."

"I'm an American. I know that my newspaper and my radio will give me a fair picture of what's happening in the world, to the best of their ability."

"I send my children to a school where the teachers aren't merely vassals of the State—where the facts that are taught my children help to make them better, more intelligent citizens."

"I'm an American. I can talk freely with my friends, expressing my own opinions on both political and non-political subjects, without the fear that there are spies who listen to my every word and then report it to some high and secret tribunal."

You'd probably say these things and many more besides. And saying them would, in these troubled times, make you realize something else, so that you'd come to say just one thing more: "I'm a lucky individual. I'm an American!"—The Silver Lining.

Camp AuSable Vets Had Xmas Banquet

The veterans of Camp AuSable, Company V-1670, CCC, had a grand banquet in their mess hall Christmas day. Following was the menu for the dinner:

M E N U

Hearts of Celery Stuffed Olives
Green Onions Ripe Olives
Sweet Pickles
Roast Turkey
Giblet Gravy Oyster Dressing
Cranberry Sauce
Snowflake Potatoes
Candied Sweet Potatoes
Buttered French Peas
Hot Rolls Butter
Fresh Fruit Hot Mince Pie
Fruit Cake
Coffee
Cigarettes Mints

To replace Capt. Pritchard, who moved to Lansing, is A. Mills Wilber, the new Company Commander.

"THEY ALL HAVE TO CLIMB TOGETHER"



"Measures Short Of War"

By
Congressman Roy O. Woodruff
Tenth Michigan District

Now that the Presidential election is over for four more years, a definite pattern is beginning to emerge at Washington. Before the election we were told we needed an army of 750,000 well equipped men. We were told our navy was the equal of any in the world. Then the figures for the army were stepped up to 1,200,000. Then they were stepped up a little further to 2,000,000. Now that the election is over, the country is given the sad news that we must support an army of 4,000,000. This leads to the speculation as to how soon the size of the army will be stepped up to 8,000,000.

Before the election we were told that we were going to give the Allies, at that time Britain, France and Belgium, aid "short of war." Then suddenly without notice to the Congress 50 destroyers were traded off to Britain within a couple of weeks after the President had assured the nation no such deal was pending. Now we are discovering that hundreds of thousands of rifles, tremendous quantities of ammunition, hundreds of tanks and other equipment had—reputedly—been ordered declared "obsolete"—been turned over to the Allies. All of this was done without the consent or even the notification of the Congress, although it was in session.

Then there broke out, after the election, all in the name of "national defense," and all being "measures short of war," a wave of brazen propaganda that, in spite of several billions of dollars of holdings in this country by Great Britain and her colonies, she was running out of money and must have credits. So with the propaganda committee headed by William Allen White, the sage of Emporia, there came a loud raucous cry that we repeal the Johnson Act. The Administration spokesmen, notably the Secretary of Commerce, Jesse Jones, and the Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Morgenthau, shut their eyes to the defaults of 1933 and declared Britain a "good risk," meaning the kind of credit risk that Secretary Jones' Commercial National Bank of Houston, Texas, would not lend money to.

Then there came next the agitation by the William Allen White crowd, and another group in Ann Arbor, Michigan, for the repeal of the Neutrality Act, the repeal of the Johnson Act and the participation of the United States in the conflict immediately—including, presumably, sending men overseas to fight with the British army—all these apparently being "necessary to the national defense" and "measures short of war."

In the meantime, very cleverly the William Allen White Committee and various New Deal spokesmen and writers began to call for "war powers" for the President and "industrial mobilization," all this still in the interests of "national defense" and constituting "measures short of war."

The latest development was the news from the President of the United States, who before the election dared not get 12 hours out of Washington, but whose whereabouts at this writing are unknown, that he had entered into a deal from his secret base of operations with King George II of Greece to turn over airplanes and other instruments of war to the Greeks. Congress is still in session at Washington,

but it knew nothing about this new deal for the further depletion of our national defense until apprised by the press of the fact. Despite the fact that the experts recognize and say that we may be in a desperate condition as to our own defenses, Congress reads in its morning paper that it is now confronted with another fait accompli.

Meantime, the drive, step by step, toward the so-called Industrial Mobilization Plan proceeds while the President, from his secret base of operations, continues to get deeper and deeper into world power politics.

The 1936 revision of the Industrial Mobilization Plan is a complete—a shocking complete—pattern for an absolute military dictatorship for the United States of America. The 1939 revision of the so-called Industrial Mobilization Plan proposes a continuation of this military dictatorship after the war is ended and until such time as the dictator—the Commander-in-Chief of the armed forces of the United States—the President himself—shall decide that the period of "readjustment" has passed, and he desires to relinquish his absolute powers. Recent world history has not disclosed that any modern dictator, having once tasted of the powers, ever chose to give them up.

The Mobilization Plan is being enacted piecemeal. The United States is being edged into war inch by inch. The American people, if they do not want to send their sons to bloody conflict in foreign fields, had better begin to write their Representatives in Congress and let them know how they feel about the matter. The situation now is critical.

Bowling News

Thursday night of last week the Teachers and Mrs. Bidvia's team opened team bowling in Grayling for the ladies. After three nip and tuck games the Teachers emerged winners by 80 pins. A re-match between these two teams should prove very interesting.

Mrs. Russell Robertson of Mrs. Bidvia's team was high with 428, and Miss LaFave was high with 420 for the Teachers.

Bidvia's			
Robertson	137	162	129—428
Bidvia	109	115	94—318
Sorenson	83	93	111—297
Schram	102	117	96—315
Ax	142	124	128—402
Total	590	611	599 1760

On Friday night the Bowldrome was the scene of another close contest when Jarmin's Insurance and Hunter's Dairy tangled, the latter losing by the narrow margin of 38 pins.

Jarmin's Insurance			
Moshier	125	168	153—446
Miller	147	140	184—471
Growth	136	135	—271
Wright	153	123	—276
Jarmin	149	162	140—451
Melichar	182	117	—299
Total	710	787	717 2214

Hunter's Dairy			
Gokee	155	148	135—438
B. Hunter	188	166	151—505
Wirtanen	134	104	—238
A. Hunter	139	187	133—460
L. Hunter	142	159	111—412
Galehouse	124	—	—124
Total	758	784	634 2176

Two new teams have been formed, one representing the Plaza Grill and one the Shoppingtons Inn. The sponsors of the different teams will be called together soon and a league formed so all who intend entering a team should do so at once.

Picked team from Midland will appear at the Bowldrome at 3 o'clock Sunday where they will meet a selected team of Grayling players. Remember the time: 3 o'clock Sunday.

High game for ladies last week went to Mrs. Russell Robertson with 162, and to Leslie Hunter with 226.

APPRECIATION

I wish publicly to thank the City management, the fire department, State Highway employees and the many others who assisted to remove goods to safety from the Grayling Restaurant during the fire Monday afternoon. Also Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kraus who were so kind to take my wife and children into their home and care for them. Many, many thanks, every one.

Joseph Cinciala

Public Notice

Beginning Tuesday, December 10, I will be at the Town Hall, City of Grayling, for the purpose of collecting taxes. I will be there on every Tuesday and Saturday until the 10th day of January.

CLARE MADSEN,
Grayling Twp. Treasurer.

Brewing Business Helps Taxpayers

The brewing business in Michigan is one that helps the taxpayer, the wage earner and the farmer. The 33 operating breweries stand 8th in point of national production, and rank high as industrial and employment factors.

With an annual payroll of \$7,900,000 they stand 20th in point of wages paid by Michigan industry.

More than 100,000 Michigan people are gainfully employed in manufacturing, distributing and dispensing beer.

There are 350 wholesale distributors in Michigan each of whom employs an average of 10 persons at remunerative wages, utilizes fleets of motor trucks and all that they connote.

There are 18,500 beer outlets or one to each 2900 people. Each helps to keep unemployment down.

An additional 48,000 people gain an indirect living in allied industries, railroads, motor trucks, coal, electricity, communications, wood, steel and aluminum barrels, bottles, cans, cases, cartons, crowns, labels, printing, advertising, machinery and materials.

Michigan brewers spend more than \$8,500,000 for grains, materials and supplies used in the manufacture and distribution of beer.

More than 160,000 acres of farmland are required to raise the agricultural ingredients that go into Michigan's annual beer output.

Michigan brewers use each year the products from 135,000 acres of barley; 17,000 acres of corn; 6,500 acres of sugar; 6,200 acres of rice and 1200 acres of hops.

While some of the grains and the hops used are not Michigan grown, it should be borne in mind that while the western fields are producing barley and hops they are not competing with Michigan farms.

CCC Camp News

Pursuant to instructions issued by Sixth Corps Area in regards to compulsory first aid training as a part of the National Defense program, a school for instructors in First Aid was held at Camp Hartwick Pines during the week of December 16. The instruction was given by Dr. J. R. Montgomery, staff physician of the American Red Cross assisted by Mr. Edward Slezak, and was attended by picked men from the Camps of this Area. There were twenty-three who attended the school and the following men were granted Instructors' certificates:

Lewis Buchanan, Judge Jackson and Wellington Lawrence of Camp Pigeon River.

Arthur Gill of Camp Black Lake.

Harold Hayden and Robert Hoesgood of Camp Wolverine.

Charles Hodges and Victor Kohn, of Camp Higgins Lake.

Frank Lukesick, Robert Shipell and Norman King of Camp Eldorado.

Henry Feuntes of Camp Luzerne.

Victor Olsen and Robert McKay of Camp AuSable.

Lee Walbridge and Jesse Warner of Camp Hartwick Pines.

Maple Forest

Miss Grace Woodburn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Woodburn, came home Saturday for the Christmas holidays. Grace is teaching in Grand Rapids.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. George Rolfe are out of quarantine at last. They have been confined several weeks with scarlet fever.

Chas. Hodge, teacher of Adult Education at Higgins Lake CCC camp, returned to that camp Monday after attending first aid classes at Camp Hartwick Pines for a week. Mr. Hodge was awarded an instructors' certificate by the Red Cross.

The Home Extension class will hold their meeting after the holidays. The lesson will be on kitchen planning. Mrs. Richard Babbitt and Mrs. Chas. Owens are the leaders.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lovely and small son left Saturday for their new home in Chicago. They have been residents of Maple Forest for several years.

Mrs. Bert Plagens has been ill for several days but is improving. Don Weaver has returned home from Buchanan, Michigan.

Jack Caid of Lovells is staying at the Ivan Hamblins' for a couple of weeks while his family is visiting in Alabama.

Ducking Stool for Shrews
A ducking stool was used to punish "shrews" in England in 1746.

Personal News

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clark and little son, of Saginaw, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clark.

Carl Peterson Jr. is home from U. of M., spending Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peterson.

Arnold Babbitt, student at C. S. T. C., is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan C. Babbitt.

Mrs. Katherine Loskos left for Bay City Tuesday to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ekkens and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Gannon and family of Big Bay spent Christmas with Mrs. Gannon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Smock.

The Howard Grangers opened their home on Christmas to Mr. and Mrs. Algot Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lamm and little son.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldemar Hanson and little son arrived Saturday to spend Christmas with Mr. Hanson's mother, Mrs. Marie Hanson.

Miss Elaine McDonnell of LeRoy arrived Tuesday to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McDonnell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Schram and daughters spent Christmas day with Mrs. Schram's sister, Mrs. Harry Aldrich and husband, in Roscommon.

Charles McNamara, Jr., from the University of Grand Rapids, is spending the holiday vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. McNamara.

Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor of Olivet arrived Sunday to spend Christmas with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bond and children.

The Dr. A. Norconk family and Walter P. Darrough family of Detroit had dinner on Sunday with Mrs. Harry Connine and daughter Mary Gretchen.

Had Nice Christmas Party

The Christmas party for the children of the catechism classes of St. Mary's church was held at the parish hall Sunday afternoon, with the members of the Altar Society as hosts. There were 60 boys and girls present and a program, which was in charge of Mrs. C. J. McNamara, president of the Catholic Woman's Guild was given. There was group singing of Christmas carols, numerous recitations, cornet solos by Burton Peterson and George Kessler, and a trio by the three little Pratt girls.

At lunch time Fr. James Moloney led the children in prayer for worldwide peace. Brick ice cream with a Christmas tree center and fancy cakes were served, and candy bars and large sacks of candies and nuts were distributed from the pretty Christmas tree. The sacks had been filled at the home of Mrs. Thomas Cassidy on the Sunday evening previous. Others who assisted at the party were Mrs. Louis Kessler, Mrs. Carl Nielson, Mrs. Richard Lovely and Mrs. Oscar Goss, and these ladies enjoyed having supper together in the hall that evening.

Firemen's Notes

The Firemen held their Christmas party at the Grange hall on December 16th. A large crowd was present for the festivities.

While waiting for Santa, who arrived at 10:30, pinocle was played. Also Miss Elaine Broadbent played a few selections on the guitar.

A story was out at the party that some of the firemen took their annual New Years bath a few days early while at the fire Monday. Ask Larry Galehouse.

The Fire Department wishes to extend their heartfelt thanks to the management and employees of the State Highway department for their assistance in extinguishing the fire.

Grange Notes

The delegates were prepared to install the officers for 1941 at the last meeting but postponed it until the meeting of January 4th which will be the evening meeting, and all officers-elect please be present. Also as many of the others who can possibly get out at there will be special business. The meeting will be called at 7:30 sharp. Don't forget the time.

There will be a New Years party at the hall December 31. Members are asked to invite their friends also. Pinocle and pedro and bunco will be played. Pot luck lunch of sandwiches and cake. Come and have a good time.

The members are needed at the January 4th meeting to help plan and give their ideas on what the Grange should and can do to raise money.

A while ago several members met at the hall for a cleaning bee and things sure did hum. Chairs as well as floors and windows were cleaned. One member donated two gallons of varnish to finish the chairs with.



Non-partisan News Letter
Michigan Press Association

By GENE ALLEMAN

Lansing—Michigan's holiday light opera, "Who Won the Election?", which is now being presented on the front page by Dickinson, Van Wagoner & Company, is downright heavy "drammer" to party politicians even if the readers are only mildly concerned.

It was inevitable that a contest of power would ensue when voters jumped fences to elect a Democratic governor, lieutenant governor, and state treasurer, while returning a Republican secretary of state and auditor general, selecting a Republican attorney general and returning a Republican majority to both houses of the legislature—all in the same day!

Bi-partisan government may possess an intriguing allure to the man on the street. But to the officials in the statehouse, it's beginning to appear like a two-year headache that is already under way.

Here is the situation in brief.

Who Runs Senate?

In the first place, the Republican dominated state senate has decided that Republicans should regain the privilege of committee appointments.

For a week or so factional strife threatened to divide G.O.P. ranks into two groups whom we will call the "regulars" and the "independents." Senator Earl W. Munshaw, Grand Rapids, was the choice of "regulars," while Senator D. Hale Brake, Stanton, was picked by "independents."

Hopeful Democratic Senators, sensing a possibility of a coalition majority composed of the ten Democrats plus one of the two Republican factions, had selected Senator Ernest C. Brooks, Holland, to be a coalition candidate for president pro tem. It has been the traditional prerogative of the lieutenant governor to make all committee appointments, and under a party system where the minority seeks to check the majority at every political opportunity and where the majority desires to carry out the "popular mandate" as to the "will of the people," a legislative committee can be most helpful if the right legislators are in charge of its deliberations. The senate majority, however, can checkmate any appointment; hence the political tug-of-war.

Under the guidance of Senator Don VanderWerf, Fremont, as caucus chairman, the threatened Republican revolt was squelched and an agreement was reached whereby Senators Munshaw and Brake are to split the leadership. Munshaw will be Republican floor leader, while Brake will be president pro tem.

December 27 is the date of the next organization meeting at which time committee chairmen will be named. Frank Murphy, lieutenant governor-elect, has indicated he will probably co-operate. If the Republicans stick together, Murphy has no alternative.

Governor's Appointments?

While it may be legally possible for a Republican majority to override a Democratic lieutenant governor, the governorship holds vast powers, and Murray D. VanWagoner, the popular choice by some 130,000 votes, is ready to live up to his campaign slogan of being a man "who gets things done."

After the Nov. 5 balloting, Governor Luren D. Dickinson was in a most co-operative mood. He pronounced his blessing generously on Mr. VanWagoner; said he might pick a Democrat to fill the vacancy of lieutenant governor between Nov. 5 and Jan. 1; formally named Don Kennedy to be state highway commissioner.

Republican officials became openly alarmed at such astounding goings-on, and they implored the governor to be more sensible. Soon the honeymoon was over (if it ever began) and the word went out that Dickinson and VanWagoner weren't seeing things, eye to eye.

Complicating the situation is the new civil service amendment which may "jell" thousands of appointees into state jobs, subject of course to court interpretation and then to friendly administration by a civil service commission.

DeLoe and Reid

A state bureau that has always offered generous patronage is the liquor control commission with a far-flung system of state stores and warehouses. The term of Muri H. DeLoe, Charlotte newspaper editor, expired Sunday, Dec. 15. Governor Dickinson believes that the temperant Charlotte editor merits a re-ap-

\$10.00 Reward

The City of Grayling will pay to anyone for information that leads to arrest and conviction of anyone stealing lights, wiring or other articles from Christmas trees or decorations.

When citizens go to the work and expense of trying to make their places attractive for the Christmas season, we intend to give them the protection they deserve.

GEO. BURKE, Mayor.

Dr. Newton Coming

Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist of Alpena. Eyes tested and Glasses Fitted. Grayling Dates: Jan. 8 and Jan. 20. Office completely equipped in Dr. Stealy and Dr. Miller's office. Appointments can be made with Drs. Keyport & Clippert or Dr. S. Stealy.

pointment, and he also has indicated that Alva M. Cummins is worthy of further state service.

On the unemployment compensation commission the governor's choices for immediate appointment are John Reid, secretary of the Michigan Federation of Labor, and Harry A. MacDonald; for the state labor mediation board Orthur C. Lappin.

Although under normal circumstances the appointments of a retiring governor would never weather legislative acceptance, Dickinson's choices will go to a friendly State Senate. The strategy emphasizes the intention of the Republican legislative majority to prevent any wholesale housecleaning of state employees by starting at the top itself—the men who possess the power to hire and fire.

What the civil service amendment will do is a genuine puzzle. Attorney General-elect, Herbert Rushton has intimated he will ask the State Supreme court for an interpretation on the act's jurisdiction. There are also rumors that Rushton will frown officially after Jan. 1, 1941, on any wholesale firing of employees, is such would be attempted.

Run Again in 1942?

Amid all the front page fuss over what who was going to do what and when, the 81-year-old governor released a youthful hint that he might be receptive to being a candidate for governor in 1942. Previously he divulged in an amused moment to the press that he recently received a number of proposals of marriage. And so it went.

It was all a bit confusing. But with the last few days of his administration waning, the redoubtable Mr. Dickinson is astutely wielding his authority for all it is worth. Let it be known to one and all, Michigan in 1939 and 1940 has had a remarkable governor.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

(Estate of Albert E. Hazard)
The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the probate office in the city of Grayling in said county, on the 23rd day of December A. D. 1940.

Present: Hon. Charles E. Moore Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Albert E. Hazard, deceased.

Marius Hanson, administrator, having filed in said court his petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be limited and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court.

It is Ordered, That 2 months from this date be allowed for creditors to present claims against said estate.

It is Further Ordered, That the 3rd day of March, 1941, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims and demands against said deceased.

Charles E. Moore,
12-26-4 Judge of Probate.

Want Ads

WANTED—Saw logs. Jack, norway and white pine. Pioneer Log Cabin Co., Inc., Roscommon, Mich. Phone 29-J. 12-19-3

FOR SALE OR RENT—Seven room house, Benson estate property, corner of State and Alger. 185 feet river front. Inquire of Edmond Houghton. 12-19-3

FOR RENT—Office building on Cedar street. Basement, furnace, water, electricity, fine location, large plate glass front. Now used by the Michigan Public Service Co. Call Harold Fredberg, district manager, Cheboygan.

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Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

Thursday, December 27, 1917

Miss Marie Lovely has returned from Lansing and expects to remain here for the present.

Word has been received last week of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Bunagaard of Greenfield, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Holger Hanson left Sunday for Detroit to spend Christmas with the S. S. Pheips and Emil Hanson families.

Wayne Thompson, son of J. D. Thompson, has enlisted in the Michigan State guards, and is stationed in Detroit at present doing guard duty.

Fire at the home of Ross Davis, Christmas morning at about 5:00 o'clock practically wiped out the building. Most of the furnishings were removed. The building belonged to the George Brown estate.

Walter Shaw of Camp Custer was in the city visiting his wife and parents over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Douglas of Saginaw arrived Sunday to spend Christmas with the latter's mother Mrs. John Pauling, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hanson entertained over Christmas Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Smith, Miss Bessie Smith and Lieutenant Bricker of Mariette.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McNeal are enjoying a visit from the former's mother Mrs. Almeta McNeal, of Lima, Ohio, who intends to remain for the winter.

Isaac Jendron, son of Mrs. Theodore Jendron of this city, was home on a short furlough to visit relatives and friends. He is a member of the Navy and stationed at the Norfolk, Virginia Navy yards.

News was received here last week of the death of Elmer Brott which occurred at Loveland, Colorado, Saturday, Dec. 22. Mr. Brott went west about a year ago.

Buck Fever

From the Rev. H. W. Kuhlman, former pastor of Alpena's First Methodist Episcopal church, now the pastor at Grayling, Mich., comes this:

Gentlemen: Your hunters' prowess has gone through all the world. To offset some of your boasted reputation, however, we have the enclosed story. It is supposed to be a "true story," but to you, the initiated, it may look like buck fever.

Yours for a Happy New Year,
REV. H. W. Kuhlman.

BUCK FEVER

He rushed out thru the forest With all the speed he knew, Wild-eyed, with quivering lips he cried— "Did—did anything come through?"

"I shot a buck smack in the head 'Men tell me what to do!— 'See here the trail of blood he left.

"I filled him full of lead, 'I'm sure his back is broken, 'God knows that buck is dead! 'His heart is torn to atoms, 'His liver's cut in two,— 'Good hunters everywhere admit 'What guns like this will do.

"Five shots I fired right through his neck, 'Then down he hauled that flag; 'At least four legs are shot away—

"This buck is 'in the bag! 'I say no wounded deer like that 'Could ever get away. 'His blood is all spilled on the ground,

"He's down! Plumb down to stay! 'How come this deer cannot be found? 'Explain to me such luck! 'I'm up to all your tricks you bums,

"Get out; you boob and find your deer, 'You simple brained galoot, 'You chased a fawn for half a mile, 'Twas it you tried to shoot!"

And now back home, his alibi He tells upon the streets, He means and whines and then explains

To all the friends he meets— 'How fine he aimed, how true he shot, 'Then wow! That horrid luck! He met those hard boiled guys up north,

Who "robbed" him of his buck! Why They Jitterbug

Jitterbug dancing is nothing but an outlet of physical energy, in the opinion of Miss Ethel Bowers, field secretary of the National Recreational association. She said youth needs violent dancing, running and racing games as well as mental games, observation games and educational games.

Health & Hygiene

(Through the courtesy of The Detroit News, Children's Fund of Michigan and the W. K. Kellogg Foundation)

MITIGATING ANGINA

However unfamiliar with medical terms the average layman may be, it is significant that he has a fairly accurate idea of angina pectoris, its cause and its symptoms. This disease of the heart arteries, marked by paroxysmal pain in the chest is becoming increasingly common with the continued urbanization of the population and most persons have the intimate knowledge of the condition either in their own family or in that of friends.

Angina pectoris is especially common among middle-aged persons who have long ago given up regular exercise, who are inclined to overeat, who are overweight, who are addicted to the use of tobacco and who allow themselves to become mentally and emotionally upset.

It is true that medication is beneficial when properly and promptly applied to susceptibles. Whether one is a potential victim of angina is determined by family history, by general condition as revealed by periodic physical examination and by early symptoms.

Medical men are led to conclude from recent research, however, that attacks of angina can be avoided or mitigated by other means than drugs. It was Dr. William Osler who long ago observed that "of the exciting causes of angina pectoris, these three are important elements: Unusual muscular exertion, mental emotion and digestive disturbance."

Sufferers note that pain in the chest is likely to increase after eating a hearty meal, particularly if the food is of a sort likely to produce flatulence or "gas on the stomach." This has been confirmed experimentally by the group of Chicago physicians who caused distension in the stomachs of dogs by introducing a quantity of air. The immediate effect was to constrict the arteries of the heart—a condition corresponding to angina in humans.

Management of angina is perhaps best accomplished by avoiding both physical and emotional stress, by taking numerous small meals of bland foods each of which is followed by a period of rest and by continuing under the care of a skilled physician.

The doctor, besides supervising weight reduction, should that prove advisable, and prescribing sedatives when indicated, may generally prevent an attack by treating the vagus, or pneumogastric nerve which originates in the floor of the fourth ventricle of the brain and sends its branches to the ear, pharynx, larynx, lungs, esophagus and stomach.

Press-tidigitations

WANTED—A place to show her wares by an antique lady with a Spanish chest and other odd things.

—Cold Springs (Ga.) Times.

Both girls riding in the machine which overturned were injured. Miss — was cut about the face and hands and Miss — in the back seat.

—Raymond (Wash.) Herald.

His face was a striking one, and even without his clothes people would have turned to look at him.

—London (Eng.) Times.

Alice — has been engaged as stewardess and social hostess aboard the S.S. Alexandria, which sails tomorrow. Before leaving port she will have her barnacles scraped.

—East Coast Shipping Record.

WANTED—A salesgirl; must be respectable till after Christmas.

—Belen (N.M.) News.

FOR SALE—A violin, by a young man in good condition, except for a loose peg in the head.

—Wabash (Minn.) Herald.

A full charge of shot struck Mr. — squarely in the back door of the henhouse.

—Peoria (Ill.) Star.

George — had charge of the entertainment during the past year. His birth-provoking antics were always the life of the party and he will be greatly missed.

—Willard (Ohio) Times.

The victim said that when he left the cafe with his two pretty companions he had \$60 on him besides several pockets full of loose change. But after being hit on the head he says he woke up without a dime.

—Painter (Okla.) Recorder.

Indian Income
The annual income of the average person living in India is only about \$20 a year.

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☐ Screenland — 1 Yr.
☐ American Boy — 1 Yr.
☐ American Girl — 5 Mo.
☐ Parents' Magazine — 6 Mo.
☐ Pathfinder (Weekly) — 1 Yr.
☐ Modern Romance — 1 Yr.
☐ Silver Screen — 1 Yr.
☐ Sports Afield — 1 Yr.
☐ Open Road (Boys) — 1 Yr.
☐ Science and Discovery — 1 Yr.
☐ Christian Herald — 6 Mo.

GROUP B — SELECT 2 MAGAZINES
☐ Household Magazine — 1 Yr.
☐ Home Arts Needlecraft — 1 Yr.
☐ Pathfinder — 26 Issues
☐ Hunting and Fishing — 1 Yr.
☐ Successful Farming — 1 Yr.
☐ American Fruit Grower — 1 Yr.
☐ Capper's Farmer — 1 Yr.
☐ National Livestock Producer — 1 Yr.
☐ National Sportsman — 1 Yr.

GROUP C — SELECT 1 MAGAZINE
☐ Comfort (Incl. Good Stories) — 1 Yr.
☐ Farm Journal and Farmer's Wife — 1 Yr.
☐ Mother's Home Life — 1 Yr.
☐ Plymouth Rock Mthly. — 1 Yr.
☐ Legion World — 1 Yr.
☐ American Pktry. Jnl. — 1 Yr.
☐ Breeder's Gazette — 1 Yr.
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<input type="checkbox"/> Child Life — 3.25	<input type="checkbox"/> Liberty Magazine — 2.75	<input type="checkbox"/> Silver Screen — 2.25
<input type="checkbox"/> Christian Herald — 2.75	<input type="checkbox"/> Magazine Digest — 3.55	<input type="checkbox"/> Sports Afield — 2.00
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Law Strict On Illegal Possession of Venison

Several hunters returning empty handed save for a roast or steaks cut from bucks bagged by more fortunate hunting companions learned to their cost that the law on illegal possession of venison is strictly enforced. Steaks from a fawn or doe look quite like those from a buck, and the minimum fine for possession of such game of which the identity or evidence of sex has been destroyed is \$50.

Hunters like William Price, 19, of Elsie, who wounded themselves through accidental discharge of their guns, learned that the law which bars from deer hunting for five years those who "wound or kill by shooting any human being" is broad enough to include them. Accidental discharge of Price's rifle took off part of his right big toe, while he was deer hunting south of Newberry.

To stay clear of game law violations after the season closes, hunters will eat up all their venison within 60 days of the close of the season, warned now that the conservation department will be granting no extensions. Hunters wishing to mount the heads of their trophies or have deer hides tanned must apply to the conservation department for shipping permits. These tags must bear the hunter's license number. They are issued without cost.

FALLEN TREES INCREASE FOREST FIRE HAZARD

Increased forest fire hazard in 1941 as consequence of weather conditions of recent months which have littered forested areas with dead branches and flattened undergrowth is anticipated by the conservation department's forest fire fighting organization.

Heavy rains of summer months and the Armistice day windstorm combined to strip trees of deadwood over large sections of northern counties. Toppling of thousands of trees in the November windstorm will create slash hazards after felled timber is salvaged.

Last summer's rains, however, helped to hold the 1940 fire loss to a probable record low of 12,080 acres burned in 815 fires on the basis of reports covering 28 weeks of fire season.

Highest Lakes In Michigan

Little Summit lake, 10 miles southeast of L'Anse, apparently establishes indisputable claim to distinction as the Michigan lake whose altitude is greatest as the result of a recent visit made to it by a field party of the state geological survey.

Reading of an aneroid barometer fixes the lake's altitude above seal level as 1,760 feet. Altitude of neighboring Big Summit lake is 20 feet less. Near the lakes lies the town of Summit, at the highest altitude reached by railroad in Michigan, according to O. F. Poindexter of the conservation department's geology division.

Little and Big Summit lakes are small, rockbound bodies of water with surface areas of approximately 40 acres. Lake Michigan, whose surface area is 4,000 acres, lying just over the line in Marquette county, with altitude of 1,560 feet, is the highest large body of water in the state.

A Country Doctor
Francis E. Townsend, the pension planner, was once a country doctor in the Black Hills of South Dakota.

Modern Map Maker



Member of lake survey crew of institute for fisheries research, Michigan Department of Conservation, uses power augur to drill holes in ice of inland lake. Through these holes soundings of lake depths are made and samples of bottom materials obtained. This work accomplished during winter months, institute workers next summer will follow up with complete biological surveys of lake. The survey work completed, the department's fisheries division has necessary information to guide it in making lake more productive of fish. Two crews are to be busy during coming winter, aided in northern counties by CCC enrollees. Winter soundings are made accurately, economically.

SNAPSHOTS

U. S. Leads World In Music — Among the many distinguished musicians now performing for American audiences are Albert Spalding, one violinist, and Andre Kostelanetz, famous conductor. The two are heard together on Coca-Cola's new radio program, "Music That Refreshes," which comes over CBS on Sunday afternoons, from 4:30 to 5, E.S.T.

Baby Chimp Meets Public at Bronx Park Zoo — New York City—Kukuma, baby chimpanzee, rides a hobby horse at the zoo where he was displayed to the public for the first time.

It's good to be young, but what can be more wonderful than to be 5 years old, on Christmas morning? says Carolyn Lee, the little film star, who finds life complete with Santa Claus, a tree, and toys.

Holy Trinity Medal—Washington, D. C.—Bishop Corrigan, Rector of the Catholic University of America, blessing, in December 2, the first of thousands of Holy Trinity medals being nationally distributed by the Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity, Catholic home missionaries.

Univ. of Minnesota's claim to the 1940 national football championship may be disputed, but there's one title Minnesota's Alpha Chi Omega sorority sisters insist remains unchanged. To call attention to the No. 1 butter state they are presenting John Brandt, president of Land O Lakes Creameries, a football fashioned out of butter, symbolic of the state's dual leadership.

Indian Income
The annual income of the average person living in India is only about \$20 a year.

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News Briefs

THURSDAY, DEC. 26, 1940

The Paul Massey family of Detroit have moved into the house formerly owned by Mrs. Rose Pond on Cedar street. Mr. Massey is proprietor of the Bowlcrome.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Pearsall are the proud parents of a daughter born to them Friday, December 20, at their home in Roscommon. Mrs. Pearsall was formerly Helen Sorenson.

A couple of decorated Christmas candles from Ernie Hoesli, representative of the Standard Oil Company, were holiday reminders to customers by his firm at this Christmas time.

The family dinner guests for Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dawson included Mr. and Mrs. Hans Petersen, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dawson and children Bobbie and Marilyn, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Dunham and Devere Dawson.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stephan entertained with a family party on Christmas. The families included Mr. and Mrs. George Granger, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Borchers and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stephan of Sault Ste. Marie, as well as all the grandchildren.

Mrs. Thomas Cassidy and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Trudgeon were in Muskegon for Christmas. They were guests of Mrs. Cassidy's daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hewitt and family. All of the Cassidy families made up the family party for Christmas day.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

As the old year draws to a close we offer this sincere hope that the New Year will bring to you and yours a full measure of all the good things of life.

NORMAN E. BUTLER
Grayling Funeral Home
Phone 3331

NEW YEAR GREETINGS

Greetings To You

It is one of the pleasantest customs of the year to renew friendly associations by saying "Happy New Year." You may be sure we extend our greetings in all sincerity. May 1941 bring you Joy, Prosperity and Health is the wish of every person in this establishment.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Ben Franklin Store

Frank Sales

Nellie Sales

Nancy Ann Reava celebrated her first birthday Sunday, and a few friends were invited in for dinner. Centering the table was a lovely three-tiered cake with one lighted candle on top of it.

The Grayling Firemen and their families had their annual Christmas party at the Grange hall Friday evening. Santa Claus made the crowd a visit and passed out gifts to each one. Lunch was served.

Mrs. William Hill was hostess to her bridge club Thursday evening and honor scores went to Mrs. Carl Siglin of Roscommon, Mrs. G. E. Bentley of Lewiston and Mrs. F. J. McClain. Mrs. Bentley, mother of Mrs. George F. Seeley, was an out-of-town guest.

Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Esbern Olson were hosts at a family dinner party. The guests included Mrs. Ellen Failing, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wood and children Ronald and Kathleen, Mr. and Mrs. Nels Olson and little son, Miss Margaret Failing of Bay City and Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Douglas of Saskatchewan, Can.

Personals

A. L. Roberts of Chicago spent Christmas with his family here.

The office of Martha A. Serr will be closed until January 6th.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Roberts are spending the holiday vacation at Onaway and Owosso.

Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Stealy left Tuesday for Detroit to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Cornell and little daughter Barbara Ann, are in Gagetown where they spent Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Russell are spending the Christmas vacation with Mr. Russell's family in Jackson.

Miss Mildred Hanson was hostess to the Just Us club at her home Monday evening at a Christmas party. Gifts were exchanged and lunch was served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sorenson gave a Christmas party for their grandchildren at their home Sunday. A lovely lunch was served the little tots and each one received a gift.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Schumann are spending the Christmas holidays with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Smith and little daughter Ann, at Fort Wayne, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Peterson have their three daughters home for the Christmas vacation, Misses Virginia and Beatrice from Central State Teachers College, and Miss Jean from Bear Lake.

Thirty-seven members of the Feldhauser family met at the old homestead on the AuSable, now the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Feldhauser, for Christmas day. Sixty pounds of fowl was cooked for the dinner with all the other goods things that go with a Christmas dinner.

"Christmas Beer", is being served this week at Spike's Keg O' Nails. "This is the only place in the whole United States that is serving Christmas beer," Spike says. To prove it he filled a glass out of one spicket and another out of another spicket. One serving was red and the other was green. To taste them it was excellent beer, but regardless of the difference in color, both tasted the same. Leave it to Spike to think up new stunts.

John Henry Peterson was home from M. S. C. and spent Christmas day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Holger F. Peterson, and had as his guest Domingus Celestino of Puerto Rico, who is also a student at Michigan State. John Henry had only one day at home as he will be attending an Alpha Phi Omega convention at Indianapolis on Dec. 28 and 29, and then leaves on a trip east as manager of the College basketball team, when they play Long Island University on the 2nd of January and Temple U at Philadelphia on the 6th.

The Weather

The nice weather during Christmas gave many an opportunity to travel by auto to spend the day with loved ones. The temperature has been around 28 to 38 every day this week with the sun shining brightly all day Tuesday. Christmas day at noon a drizzling rain began falling and by evening became heavier. This morning (Thursday) the mercury stood at 37 and the air was thick with fog.

APPRECIATION

I wish to thank the members of Grayling Fire department and State Highway department for the aid they gave at the time of the fire Monday. This is sincerely appreciated.

EARL BURNS,
Proprietor Gamble Store.

Esmond Stiles will spend Christmas with relatives in Lansing and Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Leslie and son of Flint spent the holidays visiting their parents.

Carl E. Johnson and son Robert of Detroit spent Christmas at their cabin on the AuSable.

Daniel Jarmin is spending the holiday season with his sister Mrs. C. E. Moore, in Bay City.

Frank Tetu and son Bob of West Branch visited the former's mother Mrs. Henry Bousson, Saturday.

Menno Corwin and Jack Papendick were in Bay City Monday and drove back two new 1941 Plymouths.

Robert Brown of Ann Arbor arrived Saturday to spend the holidays with his grandmother, Mrs. Andrew Brown.

Miss Jean Brady is home from Detroit where she attends the Detroit Business University, for the holiday vacation.

Kermit Charron is home from C. S. T. C., Mt. Pleasant for the holidays visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Charron.

Ivan Rice, of the Avalanche force, left Friday night for his home in Meredosia, Illinois, to be gone until next Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Kuhlman met Santa Claus at Saginaw while visiting their daughter's family there.

Miss Eunice Schrieber, who teaches at Muskegon, is home for the holidays visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Schrieber.

Carl Sherman returned to Flint last Friday after visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Sherman for several days.

Mrs. Elery Waite and family have moved to Grayling from Roscommon and are living in the Holger Hanson house on Park street.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Frye have as guests the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Albers of Detroit, who came in time for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ziebell left Sunday to spend the Yuletide with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Catlin, in Toledo.

Mr. and Mrs. George Skingley, son Robert and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Rokos spent Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skingley in Gaylord.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Bentley returned to their home near Lewiston Sunday after visiting their daughter Mrs. George F. Seeley and family for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Herbison and son Robert spent Christmas with relatives of Mrs. Herbison in Bay City. Robert is home for the holiday vacation from M.S.C.

Mrs. Peter Robertson, Clarence Robertson and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Robertson drove to Saginaw Tuesday and spent Christmas with the Arthur Anderson family.

Edwin Chalker of Western State Normal college, Kalamazoo, is spending the Christmas and New Year holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Chalker.

Axel Peterson of Detroit came Saturday to accompany his mother Mrs. Andrew Peterson, to that city where she will spend the holidays with her children.

Fred Bishaw and Harry Sorenson are home after having been gone for several months cooking on boats of the Pittsburgh Steamship Company, that sail the Great Lakes.

Little Sally Borchers, who is a patient at University Hospital, where she is receiving medical treatment, was home over Christmas so to be here when Santa Claus visited her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fogel-songer (Azilda LaBrash) of Flint visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul LaBrash over the week end. The Fogelsons operate a hardware store business on Saginaw street in Flint.

Wright and Dwight Merrill, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Merrill, arrived Sunday to spend the Christmas furlough from Camp Scottfield, Ill., with their parents. They will return Saturday. The family spent Christmas with Mr. Merrill's parents in Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. David Montour and Miss Joan left Friday to spend Christmas at the Lipman Landsberg home in Inkster. Mrs. Ervin Sampsel and son Mickey who accompanied them plan to remain in Detroit indefinitely, where Mr. Sampsel is employed.

George W. Mason of Detroit and his sons Jack and George Jr., who are students at the Hill's School in Pottstown, Pa., are spending the holidays at their home on the river. They flew here Friday in Mr. Mason's plane, accompanied by Frank Michelson, pilot.



Sincere Wishes For The Dawn Of A New Day

It is our sincere wish that out of the troubles of the past a new day will dawn for you and those you love. May it bring a fulfillment of your Hopes and Desires, a full measure of Health and Prosperity, and may your Cup of Happiness overflow.

We pledge ourselves and our resources to everything we can do to make these wishes come true. We cherish your friendship in both public and private life, realizing how invaluable it has been in our own happiness.

May the spirit of the season linger through every day of 1941, and may it increase for you in every way.

Grayling Mercantile Company

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Haire spent the Yuletide with their children in Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward King of Flint enjoyed Christmas day with Mrs. King's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Miller.

Miss Marjorie Niederer from Lansing spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Niederer.

Emil Kraus is shaking hands with friends while home for the holidays from U. of M. Bill Kraus is enjoying the holiday vacation from U. of D., Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Esbern Hanson Jr., of Alma came here Monday to spend Christmas with Mr. Hanson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Esbern Hanson.

Gerard Perry of the Grayling Fish Hatchery has gone to Ann Arbor where he will assist in the winter lake survey at the Fisheries Institute.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley LaGrow and children of Detroit spent the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mrs. Alex LaGrow and Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Burrows.

Dick Peterson of Jackson and Don of Camp Beauregard, La., spent the Christmas holidays at the parental home. Don will return to camp again Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. Park Lantz of Mt. Pleasant spent the holidays at their cabin on the river. They had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Doddridge and children of Indiana.

Mrs. C. J. McNamara and son Larry are spending the next several days with her mother in Flint. Mr. McNamara and son Charles will join them for New Years.

Mrs. Eva Wingard, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Trudeau and son Junior spent Christmas at the home of the former's daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. William Simpson, in Romeo, also visiting in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Esbern Hanson entertained the Hanson families at a supper and Christmas tree party on Christmas Eve, and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hanson were hosts to the same group at dinner on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Corwin of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Corwin Jr., and Donald Corwin of Saginaw, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Corwin and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barber of Roscommon spent Christmas at the Charles Corwin home.

Mr. and Mrs. Menno Corwin and daughter Joanne enjoyed having Christmas dinner at the home of Mrs. Corwin's sister Mrs. C. J. Sarros, in West Branch. The ladies' mother, Mrs. Dan Flynn, of Rose City, was also there.

Mrs. James Perry is spending this week visiting her daughter, Mrs. Harvey Mattoon and family in Pontiac.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Burrows are enjoying having with them over the holiday vacation, their daughter Ruth, from Wayne University.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Seeley are entertaining the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clair Seeley of Pontiac, who arrived Tuesday to be here for the Yuletide.

Edward Martin of Indiana Technical College, Fort Wayne, Ind., is spending the holiday vacation visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Martin.

Miss Jane Ann Martin left Christmas day for Detroit to spend the week with friends. While there she will attend two dancing parties at the Statler Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Snyder and little daughter, Margrethe Kristine of Saginaw were guests of Mrs. Snyder's parents Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hanson over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. George Skingley had as their guests over the week end their daughter, Miss Evelyn Skingley and Vernon Gardner of Detroit, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Peck of Traverse City.

Miss Mary Jane Joseph of Michigan State College is spending the holiday vacation with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Joseph. Bill of Lansing arrived for Christmas as did also Mrs. Marion Bursch of Traverse City.

Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Keyport have as their guest for the holidays Mrs. Kenneth Dobbys of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Marshall of Mt. Pleasant spent Christmas day at their cottage on the AuSable.

Miss Gloria MacNeven, student at M.S.C. is enjoying a two weeks vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold MacNeven.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jones and son of Haslett, spent Christmas day visiting Mrs. Jones' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sorenson.

Mrs. Charles Moore and daughter Gloria left Wednesday to spend the remainder of the week with friends in Detroit.

Mrs. Oliver Cody and sons Ted, Eddie and Dick spent Christmas with her daughter Mrs. William Wythe and family in Holly.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Walters were in from their home on Higgins Lake Saturday wishing their friends a merry Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Callahan of Pinconning spent Christmas day with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Callahan.

Miss Bette Hutchins who attends Bay City Business College, is spending the Christmas vacation visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hutchins. The Hutchins' son, Harry and family of Detroit and another daughter Miss Dorothy, a nurse at Hurley Hospital, Flint, spent Christmas day with their parents.



Every Person In This Firm Extends "Best" Wishes

Because we value your friendship and know how it has contributed to our own business and prosperity in the past.

We welcome the New Year because we know it will bring new opportunities to be of service to you and to express through this service our appreciation.

We sincerely wish that you may find 1941 filled with good things, new horizons, new prosperity, new joy in living.

If at any time we can contribute to a fulfillment of those wishes we shall count it our greatest happiness.

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